

We won't forget Palestine

As the world watches the straits of Hormuz, people in Gaza continue to shiver and starve.

Sixteen years of total siege had left Gaza on or below the bread-line. The invasion and atrocities of the last 30 months have turned shortages into famine, have turned imprisonment into genocide.

Last October the US finally engineered an agreement that scaled back the slaughter, but didn't stop it. Now that Israel is fighting against Lebanon and Iran – again – the Palestinians are out of the public eye and the pressure is back on them. Israel never observes ceasefires anyway.

The Genocide Continues

Taking land is Israel's first priority. The IDF were supposed to withdraw to an agreed 'yellow line' and then leave Gaza altogether. They are still there. In fact they have moved the line forward, sometimes by 500m and now control 60% of Gaza.

Killing Ritaj Rihan, aged 9

“As usual, I dropped my daughter off at school. I was shocked: after just one hour she came back to me as a lifeless body. The school is about 2km away from the yellow line. My daughter went out to learn, not to fight. A bullet of spite from the Israeli occupation struck her...The ceasefire is a big lie. As long as blood is spilled every day, the war has not ended.”

Abdul Raouf Rihan (her father) in Beit Lahia, 8 April



Gaza, 23 April: a car is targeted by an Israeli airstrike that kills three people. Photo: Eyad Baba/AFP via Getty Images.

They are digging in along this line and treat it as permanent.

The killing has never stopped and journalists and police officers are most at risk of being targeted in air strikes.

Bombing has resumed since the end of February. Over 800 have been killed since October 2025 and over 2,000 injured.

Gaza's environment is getting steadily more dangerous. Only 4% of agricultural land is now usable. The water system is crumbling as sewage and desalination plants are bombed. Parents stay awake at night to stop rats biting their children.

Only a quarter of the aid promised by the ceasefire is allowed in by Israel. The level of malnutrition is such that more birth deformities are being recorded than ever.

Israel's exclusion of basic supplies is deliberate policy.

Even the 'committee of technocrats' set up by Trump's Board of Peace is not allowed in to take charge.

West Bank Attacks

The Iran war has given cover to an upsurge in Israeli terrorist attacks on West Bank Palestinians. Over 370 incidents were recorded in the five weeks since the start of March. Homes and olive groves are set on fire. The Christian village of Taybeh is one of the main targets.

Along with the violence comes a crackdown on movement. There are now over 900 checkpoints and roadblocks across the West Bank, more than ever before, preventing Palestinians from getting around their own country.

The UK and others may wring their hands but what will they do to stop the ethnic cleansing and genocide?